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Subject: Tomorrow's SRBC/EPA/DEP To-Do List/Agenda

Attachments: PA Phase III WIP Sector Workgroup Co-Chairs June 19 2017 Mtg Follow Up A....docx

Good afternoon--As a reminder to us all (especially myself!), here is the list we shared last week re: action items to be covered in our meeting tomorrow. I've also attached the full document that details the timeline of events for this summer. Looking forward to it!

## **CBPO PA Team Follow-up Actions**

- June 30 Meeting (SRBC, Harrisburg):
  - Matt Johnston and Emily Trentacoste to travel to Harrisburg on June 30 to meet with the SRBC team, Ted Tesler and Kristen Wolf to determine how to work together on delivering the initial big picture explanation of monitoring trends storyline for the Susquehanna and Potomac river watersheds.
  - Matt and Emily will present products of what they can do and data layers inventory. Matt brings CAST modeling experience; Emily brings data layer "storytelling" expertise; and SRBC brings monitoring data.
  - o Goal of this meeting is for Emily and Matt, working with SRBC, to pull together a broad brush, layered overview of several sources of data (BMP data, cost data, monitoring, land use, mapsheds, tributary, impaired waters, etc) that delineates PA hot spots with focus on local water quality (edge of stream) in PA.
  - o Include high level results of early overlays to illustrate where practices should be targeted.
  - O Draw directly from analyses conducted and scenarios run over the past two years. Include case studies (other states?) of approaches to setting local area goals in this briefing/presentation.

- Answer policy questions related to the impact of Abandoned Mine Lands. If we were to take on an initiative as a priority to address all the Abandoned Mine Lands in the watershed, what will that get us in terms of N, P and sediment? Could these and other impacts (such as agriculture) be linked to other outcomes in the Watershed Agreement such as improved Stream Health as a way of approaching this? What suite of practices are in the universe of possibilities for us to use to tackle this and how expensive are they; that is, if we decide to do this, how much is it going to cost?
- As part of presentation, Emily to provide brief Choptank explaining trends storyline to give PA
  members idea of how they can proceed in PA and guide their decision-making as to where they
  want Emily and Matt to do this for PA and where we can make biggest impact in PA.
- O Steering Committee to discuss where within the Susquehanna River/Potomac River watershed PA members would like Emily to develop a similar, very in-depth storyline presentation as a template to follow for the rest of Pennsylvania's Susquehanna and Potomac river watersheds
- Need PA members to make the connection to their backyards, not the Bay. Need this to guide PA
  members in making recommendation on where to focus/target efforts and guide local area
  planning.
- O Discuss PA stream assessment data. Nitrogen not needed for local water quality standards? Will reducing nitrogen improve local water quality or is this a Bay-focused target? How to communicate this.
- o Schedule of events following this meeting:
  - July 17: WIP workgroup coordinators "dry run" meeting in preparation for the August 24 WIP Steering Committee meeting (to include WIP workgroup co-chairs and coordinators).
  - July 17: Work with SRBC and DEP to draft a 2-page prospectus outlining: (1) what the combined CBPO/SRBC teams can provide in terms of technical, programmatic capacity and policy analysis support to the workgroups; (2) what questions can be answered; (3) what tools are available to do what; (4) list of the key technical staff, their areas of expertise, and their contact information; and (5) how to go about requesting the offered technical, programmatic and policy support. (Lead: Rich Batiuk working with Lucinda Power)
  - July 27: Present 2 page prospectus to WIP Co-Chairs at their meeting.
  - July 18-August: Follow up meetings to finalize presentation
  - August 24: WIP Steering Committee meeting presentation
  - September 27: Information leads up to Matt presenting CAST BMP tool to Steering Committee on 9/27

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